

2019 Town of Milford - Police Chief Search Committee

Minutes for November 19, 2019 Open Meeting

- Meeting called to order at approximately 7:02pm by Chairman DeBartolomeis
- Members of Committee in attendance: Dino DeBartolomeis, Chris Fritts, Donato Niro, Ed Bertorelli, Chris Morin, Jodie Nosiglia, Acting Chief Mike Pighetti, David Brutsch, Donna Niro, Scott Harrison and Jim Heron
- Members absent: Dr. Richard Heller
- Also, in attendance: Maureen Giffin, Milford Human Resources; Charles Boddy, Town Counsel; Sheldon Cohen & Charles Hale, Resource Management Associates (RMA)
- The Chairman presented the minutes from the September 17th meeting. Motion to accept those minutes by Mr. Morin. Second by Mr. Bertorelli. Unanimously passed and accepted.
- The Chairman presented the minutes from the October 1st meeting. Motion to accept those minutes by Mr. Harrison. Second by Acting Chief Pighetti. Unanimously passed and accepted.
- Meeting was then turned over to Mr. Cohen for some requests and recommendations to the Committee from RMA.
 - Mr. Cohen requested finances from the Committee to cover the costs of the physical and psychological examinations for the top 6 candidates moving forward.
 - Mrs. Giffin researched and presented Teamwork for physical examinations and Chandler Psychological for the psychological examinations.
- Motion by Mrs. Nosiglia for the committee to cover the full travel and interview expenses for all candidates. Second by Mr. Bertorelli. Motion unanimously passed.
- There was then some discussion about the process moving forward. Several
 committee members had questions. Mr. Hale and Mr. Boddy suggested
 that rather than dealing in hypotheticals, we deal with problems as they
 arise.
- Mr. Cohen then addressed what to expect from the Assessment Center scheduled to be administered on December 16-18th.

- The Chairman then asked Mr. Boddy to speak to the Committee about the elements of Executive Session and what each Committee member's responsibilities are. Mr. Boddy referenced specific prohibited conduct.
- Mr. Fritts suggested that the Committee "enter into executive session for the purposes of: Considering applicants for employment and appointment as the Milford Chief of Police by a preliminary screening committee, because the chairman has declared that an open meeting will have a detrimental effect in obtaining qualified applicants."
- Mr. Harrison then made a motion that the Committee move into Executive Session to deal with the selection of specific candidates for the position of Chief of Police. Second by Mr. Bertorelli. A roll call of all Committee members present indicated a unanimous affirmative vote on the motion.
- The meeting would not return to Open Session.

Next meeting at Milford Senior Center at 7pm on Wednesday, December 18, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher Fritts